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THE TORNADO

Later Reports of Taney County Storm

The toll of death exacted by the devastating storm which passed through Taney county Thursday, March eleven, has reached eleven.

They are: Mrs. Cora Howard, 38; William Mahoney, 5; and the following Box children, Muriel, 12; Oleta, 9; Budge, 6; Hubert, 13; Jessie, 10; Baby, 5; and John, 2. Four of the Box children belonged to Randolph Box and three to William Box.

Miss Frances Jackson 45, died Sunday from injuries received. Her skin was fractured and she suffered concussion of the brain.

Mrs. Randolph Box gave birth to a dead child Friday night. She is in a critical condition having had several severe injuries, two or three ribs broken, jaw bone broken, one eye knocked out and two or three holes in the head.

Mrs. William Box is still suffering from the injuries she received.

When the tornado struck the Howard home they had a big fire in the cook stove and were ironing and cooking dinner. Mrs. Howard grabbed her baby boy three years old. The wind caught them and carried them up into the air, the baby in its mother's arms. When they came down she still held the child, falling on top of him and the other children were likewise thrown in the same heap. The mother had coals in her shoes and was otherwise badly burned. The baby was practically uninjured. Nezzie, 15, had her mouth torn; five stitches were taken. Ruby, 10, collar bone broken and back injured, practically helpless. Edith, 13, collar bone broken. What was not blown away was burned up. Of all their belongings only two pillows were found.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gross reported missing. Later came walking into what had been Melva in a dazed condition with no recollection of the events of the previous twenty-four hours.

Miss Mabel Morris's sight is not lost as at first reported.

An emergency hospital was established at Branson under the direction of Dr. Geo. B. Mitchell assisted by Miss Margaret Keet and Miss Betty Manley special nurses from the Red Cross chapter at Springfield.

The funeral services for the dead were held last Saturday at Branson. Mrs. Howard was buried in the Edwards cemetery.

A relief fund for the sufferers was started by the business men of Hollister and Branson.

The property damage is estimated to exceed \$250,000.

The storm seems to have originated in Kansas and moved down into Arkansas, turning north-east after passing through northern Arkansas. It entered Taney county in the south western part and continued a north-easterly direction throughout the county.

The path of the storm was reported to be 200 to 400 yards in width along the greater part of its course. It lifted at several points in crossing the hilly Ozark country and little of the valley land was damaged, the worst damage being done when the twist dipped into the Melva district.

Several following the path of the storm report many freak incidents.

Rubber roofing was found wrapped around and round an oak tree.

A large barn on the farm of Allen Coghlin south of Hollister was blown from its foundation and wrecked. Six horses tied in the barn were left standing unharmed in the stalls.

A dog was blown uninjured through the window of Jesse Whorton's farm near Branson. The dog was in a pasture near the house when the storm broke and was carried more than 100 feet.

The house and barn of Jim Rose in the Pleasant Hill district near Forsyth were entirely blown away. The family remained in the house until it was blown away from them but escaped

injury. The horses in the barn were also uninjured.

A chicken was reported to have been discovered in a tree with its neck distended and wound twice around a small limb. The body of the chicken had been stretched after being blown into the tree.

An oak joist was found driven through a concrete wall a foot thick. Much timber was destroyed along its path.

This is the first storm of its kind for many years. Tornadoes are almost unknown in this section of the country but this will be long remembered.

Luke Rieley Says "The Rat Died Before Reaching the River."

"Since moving near the river 2 years ago, we've always used RAT-SNAP. Watched a vicious water rat nibbling at RAT-SNAP outside the house. About 15 minutes later he dived off for the water, to cool his burning stomach, but he died before reaching it." Three boxes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by J. E. Felkins & Co.

MISSOURI ASKED TO GIVE TOWARDS THE MARNE STATUE

GOVERNOR GARDNER APPROVES APPEAL FOR AMERICA'S GIFT TO FRANCE AND INVITES AID.

- ***** WHAT AND HOW. *****
- * America's Gift to France, a \$250,000 Statue, Reclining.
- * France's Gift to America, the Statue of Liberty.
- * Gift Week: March 22-27.
- * Missouri asked for \$15,000 by Committee of which Governor Gardner is Honorary Chairman.
- * J. Lionberger Davis, Chairman.
- * E. Lansing Ray, Associate Chairman.
- * W. R. Compton, president of American Trust Company, St. Louis, is Treasurer.
- * There are no collectors. Mayors of towns, Chambers of Commerce and similar organizations, school superintendents and teachers are authorized to receive offerings of the people. All Missouri banks are depositories.
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Missourians will have an opportunity to share in America's Gift to France, which is to be the \$250,000 statue to commemorate the Battle of the Marne.

Without setting up any elaborate organization, Missourians, in common with their fellow-Americans, will be given the beautiful opportunity to do for France what France did for the United States in 1879, when the French people, by popular subscription, erected the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor.

What is asked of every man, woman and child in Missouri is simply the unselfish and free-will offering prompted by a pure American patriotism and appreciation for France's heroic defense of civilization for an everlasting monument to be designed by the world-famous sculptor, Frederick MacMonnies, and situated on or near the spot where the Hun tide was turned back in 1914. Not a single penny contributed by Missourians will be spent for any other purpose than the statue, as the entire cost of the campaign expense has already been met by generous friends. Any contributions from a penny up will be gladly accepted, and every Missouri bank has been designated as a depository for the funds.

The one essential idea of the offering is small donations from every citizen, rather than large ones from a few rich. Just as everybody in France gave toward the Statue of Liberty, so everybody in America is asked to give towards the imposing Marne Statue.

Governor Frederick D. Gardner of Missouri has accepted the honorary chairmanship of the Missouri State Committee and he hopes every Missourian will participate in the nationwide subscription.

The Missouri State Committee is headed by the following public-spirited citizens: J. Lionberger Davis, chairman; E. Lansing Ray, president of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, associate chairman; William R. Compton, president of the American Trust Company, treasurer; William M. Ledbetter, former editor of the St. Louis Republic, secretary.

The idea of a memorial gift from America, to commemorate the first great Allied victory, on September 6,

MASS MEETING

A Mass Meeting of the Democrats of Taney County, Missouri, is hereby called to meet in

Forsyth on the 3rd day of April, 1920, for the purpose of selecting three delegates to the State Democratic Convention, to be held at Joplin, Mo., on April 22nd, 1920.

By order of the Committee.

ALVA HULL, Secretary.

1914, originated with a group of Americans who have formed a National Committee, with Thomas W. Lamont as chairman and Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France, its chairman of the executive committee. The statue will be placed in a position overlooking the Marne River near the village of Meuse, less than twenty miles from Paris, where civilization triumphed over barbarism.

The educational work is to be conducted through the common schools of Missouri, through Chambers of Commerce, through social, civic and other clubs.

The method of subscription is a popular one. Mayors of cities have been invited to form a committee of three, including himself, an editor and a banker. In the rural sections of the state county superintendents of schools, teachers and school board directors have been designated to accept funds. Parents are asked to let the children bring a free-will patriotic offering, no matter how small, to the country school house. Teachers will turn these offerings over to principals, and principals are asked to turn the total over to the county superintendent, who in turn will deliver the funds to a bank, which shall remit to the state committee's depository, the American Trust Company of St. Louis. Persons desiring to remit checks otherwise, may send the same to W. R. Compton, Treasurer, American Trust Company, St. Louis. Mr. Compton is president of the trust company.

In the smaller towns the plan is for the Mayor's Committee to designate collection places in the school, banks, stores, postoffices or any other public place, and clear all collections through the local banker.

The announced date of the collection week is March 22-27, giving citizens of Missouri six days time to come forward with their voluntary contributions.

A Great Need

Our boys and girls need an indoor gym. The tournament at Springfield brought this fact out quite plainly last week.

When our boys competed with those teams that had the same equipment they had, they came out ahead, but when they played against a team that had had the gymnasium training they found themselves greatly handicapped and were badly defeated.

We are all proud of our High School and we want it to excel in all lines. We want the outside towns to know that Forsyth is on the map. Above all we want our boys and girls to get an all around education, fully equipped morally, mentally and physically to hold their own in the battle of life.

Relief for Teachers

Jefferson City, Mo., March 3.—School executives, seeing an educational crisis in the low salaries offered the teachers in country and city schools, are seeking a solution of the menace.

Two remedies are being considered. One will afford immediate relief; the other is a cure for all school ills. It will be an amendment to the state's constitution providing for an increased levy for school purposes.

The teacher shortage in the state is so grave at present that immediate relief is felt to be urgently needed. The temporary relief, it is planned, will come through the State Board of Equalization, which will be asked to make an evaluation of property as will give the schools of the state the maximum income to operate until permanent relief measures can be provided.

If the State Board of Equalization performs its work in the manner expected by a group of 2,000 farmers, who, in a convention at Columbia recently adopted a resolution approving the teachers' protest against low salaries, funds sufficient to meet the higher living costs will be in the hands of school boards for the next school year.

An appeal to the Equalization Board is the only means at hand at the present time for bringing salaries into even

a neck and shoulder race with the cost of living. The adoption of the expedient, it is felt, would not be opposed by anyone in the state who had the interest of the schools at heart, in view of the widespread knowledge that the state is at present 5,000 teachers short of a normal competent staff, and the low wages paid now is expected to make greater inroads before next fall unless the emergency remedy is applied. Then when the case can be stated to the state's legislative body, a permanent cure will be sought.

Minister Milks Cows, Takes Care of House and Holds Pastorate

If you had to milk the cow on Sunday morning, cook breakfast, wash and dress the children for Sunday School, clean up the house, teach a Sunday School class, preach and conduct the morning service, go home and cook dinner, wash the dishes, go out to a mission and preach in the afternoon, go home, milk the cow again, get supper, wash the dishes, take the children to Christian Endeavor, preach again at night, go home and put the kiddies to bed—

Well, would you think you had done a day's work? Is your pastor as industrious as all that?

That is the record of one Missouri pastor, the Rev. S. M. Crank, pastor of the Christian Church at Greenfield, Mo., as discovered by the recent Kansas City conference of the Interchurch World Movement. The Rev. "Mrs." Crank is no "crank" at all, but rather a very common-sense woman, who can do several things at the same time, and do them all well.

In addition to her other duties, she finds time to be a wife and companion to her husband, who is also a minister. She has the pastorate at home, while he, as she expresses it, is kind enough to take one at a distance, in order to save her travel.

For the past 30 years Mrs. Crank has been on the job as a combination minister-housekeeper, and is as vigorous as ever. Every time a new baby came she would think it was time to leave the pulpit, but she has never done it. Her call to the ministry was too strong upon her, she said. In the 30 years she has built or revived 33 churches, baptized 3,600 persons, married hundreds of couples, held untold meetings, raised thousands of dollars, and has never taken a vacation from either the nursery or household drudgery.

There are several women preachers in Missouri, Arkansas and adjoining states, and they are all enthusiastic supporters of the Interchurch World Movement.

ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT EDITOR ENDORSES INTERCHURCH MOVE

Advocates Adequate Pay for Ministers and Selling Half-Starved Churches.

In commenting editorially on a speech made by the Rev. Dr. R. W. Peach of Newark, N. J., before the Interchurch World Movement council in Philadelphia recently, in which he declared that there were 100,000 superfluous churches, costing \$500,000,000, in the United States, the Arkansas Democrat, of Little Rock, Ark., had some pointed things to say on the situation, commending the stand of Dr. Peach for the elimination of useless churches and uniting or co-operating of denominational bodies.

"There are many rural communities," the editorial states, "in which there are from four to six half-starved churches that might well sell all but one of their buildings, and pay one minister enough to support a family in decency and self-respect."

"Denominational differences, in which we imagine that Christ would have little interest if he were to return to earth, might well be submerged in the joy of building up one strong community institution of dignity and power fit to do real service for the men, women and little children living within the field of its influence."

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri, county of Taney, ss. In the circuit court, April term, 1920. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of J. W. Reese, collector of the revenue in and for Taney county, plaintiff,

vs. Southeast Missouri Trust Company, defendant. And it is ordered that the plaintiff herein by his attorney and it appearing to the court from the return of the sheriff that the defendant, Southeast Missouri Trust Company, cannot be served with the ordinary process of law in Taney county, Missouri, and the court being satisfied that the defendant cannot be found in the State of Missouri, it is ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Taney county Republican, a newspaper published in said county of Taney, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next April term of this court.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Taney county Republican, a newspaper published in said county of Taney, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next April term of this court.

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A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand and the seal of the circuit court of Taney county, [Seal] this 26th day of January, A. D. 1920.

OTTO WOLF, Circuit Clerk. First published Feb. 26, 1920. 25-14

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

State of Missouri, County of Taney, ss. In the circuit court, April term, 1920. Taney County Bank, plaintiff,

vs. B. F. Hall and H. R. Hall, defendants. And it is ordered that the plaintiff herein by its attorney, B. F. McConkey, and it appearing to the court from the return of the sheriff that the defendants cannot be found in the State of Missouri, it is ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Taney county Republican, a newspaper published in said county of Taney, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next April term of this court.

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vs. Estate of Lewis Thornbrugh, James Stevens, R. C. Ford, trustee, J. B. Norman, George W. Thornbrugh, Frances Eads, Abney Stephens, Lizzie Harris, Fred Stephens, Geo. Stephens, Ed Stephens, Frances Stephens, Louis Thornbrugh, Lizzie Harris, John Avers, Al Burgess, Samuel Burgess, heirs at law of Lewis Thornbrugh, deceased, defendants. And it is ordered that the plaintiff herein by his attorney and it appearing to the court from the return of the sheriff that the defendants cannot be found in the State of Missouri, it is ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Taney county Republican, a newspaper published in said county of Taney, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next April term of this court.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

In the circuit court of Taney county, in the State of Missouri, in vacation. To Richard Sullivan, plaintiff,

against A. M. Mathis, if he be living and if he be dead then the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, mesne, remote, voluntary and involuntary grantees of A. M. Mathis, deceased, defendants.

The State of Missouri, to all the above named defendants, Greeting: You are hereby notified that the above named plaintiff has this day filed with the undersigned clerk of the circuit court of Taney county, Missouri, in vacation, his petition, duly verified by affidavit wherein said plaintiff alleges that the defendant claims some title, estate or interest in the land hereinafter described, but that plaintiff cannot insert the names of said defendants, other than A. M. Mathis, if he be living, herein, because same are unknown to him; in which said petition plaintiff further alleges that if said A. M. Mathis be living, he is a non-resident of the state of Missouri and cannot be served with a writ of summons in this state; in which said petition plaintiff further alleges that the said defendant, A. M. Mathis, if he be living, derives his claim through a deed from W. M. Mathis and Lydia Mathis, his wife, which said deed is recorded in Book "H" at page 67 of the

Taney county, Missouri, land records, and that if said A. M. Mathis be dead, his unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, mesne, remote, voluntary and involuntary grantees derive their claim from A. M. Mathis, deceased, as heirs, devisees, legatees, mesne, remote, voluntary and involuntary grantees of A. M. Mathis, deceased; and that said petition contains a full, correct and complete recital and description of the claims and interests in and to the land hereinafter described, and now such claims are derived as the claims known to plaintiff.

It is therefore ordered by the undersigned clerk of the circuit court of Taney county, Missouri, in vacation, that said defendants be notified that an action has been commenced against them in the circuit court of Taney county, in the State of Missouri, for the purpose of trying the defendants' title to the land hereinafter described, and that said defendants be notified that they are to appear and defend in said action on or before the first day of the next regular term of this court, to be held at the court house in the town of Forsyth, in the county of Taney, in the state of Missouri, on the 18th day of April, 1920, at which time and place said defendants are to appear and defend in said action, and to answer and plead to plaintiff's said petition, otherwise the allegations contained in said petition shall be taken and considered as confessed and judgment rendered according to the prayer thereof, forever barring and precluding said defendants from hereafter setting up any claim or title to said real property.

The Taney County Republican, published in Forsyth, Taney County, Mo., having been designated by the plaintiff and its attorney of record as the newspaper most likely to give notice to the defendants of the pendency of this action, it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in said Taney County Republican, once a week for and during four weeks successively, the last insertion of said order in said newspaper to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the next regular term of court.

OTTO WOLF, Clerk of the Circuit Court. First published February 26, 1920. 25-14

State of Missouri, County of Taney, ss. In the circuit court, April term, 1920. Otto Wolf, clerk of the circuit court of the county aforesaid, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original order of publication as the same appears of record in my office.

OTTO WOLF, Clerk of the Circuit Court. First published February 26, 1920. 25-14

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

State of Missouri, County of Taney, ss. In the circuit court, April term, 1920. Thomas F. Gilson, plaintiff,

vs. Bessie Gilson, defendant. And it is ordered that the plaintiff herein by his attorney, B. F. McConkey, and it appearing to the court from the return of the sheriff that the defendant cannot be found in the State of Missouri, it is ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Taney county Republican, a newspaper published in said county of Taney, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next April term of this court.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in the deed of trust executed by A. McKinley and his wife, Mary McKinley, dated the 1st of December, 1919, and recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of Taney county, Missouri, at Forsyth, Missouri, in book number 39 at page number 98, concerning to the undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the county of Taney and State of Missouri, to wit:

All of the number one hundred forty-nine (149) in the Subdivisions Section of the town of Hollister, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust, having declared the whole debt due and secured by the said deed of trust, the undersigned, trustee, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

MONDAY, MARCH 22nd, 1920, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m., of said day will sell the said real estate to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Post Office in the town of Forsyth, Taney county, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE R. EWING, Trustee. First published February 26, 1920. 25-14

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

D. F. McConkey, plaintiff,

vs. Thomas B. Clapp, William Clapp, C. W. Clapp, William Abbott, Mabel Cole and Soda Abbott, heirs and the one heirs at law of Christopher W. Clapp, M. J. Clapp and Ladusky Abbott, formerly Ladusky Clapp, deceased; G. C. Stewart and V. C. Cummings, defendants.

The State of Missouri to the above named defendants, Greeting: You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the circuit court of the county of Taney, in the State of Missouri, for the purpose of annulling, cancelling and setting aside a Sheriff's tax deed and the record thereof made by H. C. Pauls, Sheriff, to the defendant, V. A. Cummings, recorded in deed record book number 62 at page 5, deed records of Taney county, Missouri, in vacation, in a 12 day case, Twp 29, R. 21, lands in Taney county, Missouri, and also to ascertain and determine the title to the ss. 14, sec. 8, Twp 29, R. 21, lands in Taney county, Missouri, and to adjudge and decree title in and to said lands in plaintiff.

Which said action is returnable on the first day of the next April term of said court to be held at the court house in the town of Forsyth, in the county of Taney, and State of Missouri, on the 18th day of April, 1920, when and where you may appear and defend such action; otherwise plaintiff's petition will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

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